

WASHINGTON, SUNDAY, JUNE 25, 1905.

SHERBORNE'S COSTLY
HISTORIC TABLEAUX300 Actors Participate in
Spectacle.

SIXTY SPEAKING PARTS

Scene Is Laid at Ruins of Castle.
Schoolmaster Wrote the
Lines.

LONDON, June 24.—Of peculiar interest to Americans must be the extraordinary series of pageants which has just been held at the sleepy, but historical, little town of Sherborne, in Dorsetshire. Sherborne, in England, is the mother town of the Sherborne in Massachusetts, America, and between the two there has ever been a strong sentimental bond.

Sleeping though it has been for twelve hundred years, Sherborne has awakened to give the most remarkable set of eleven historical tableaux ever seen in England, and probably the most accurate representation of the past ever attempted in the world.

In Castle Ruins.

The set for these tableaux is unusually beautiful, for all the pictures were presented in the ruins of Sherborne Castle, one of the most beautiful fragments of early British architecture extant. On the square outside the castle the actors congregated, numbering over three hundred, their entrances and their exits being made by the gateways in the castle's crumbling walls.

The plan of the pageant was to commemorate the twelve hundredth anniversary of the founding of the town by Bishop Eadhelm, and the pictures took up the various scenes of the town's history embracing the coming of the Danes, the battles with these invaders, the advent of Alfred the Great, his mission as the Savior of Britain, the appearance of William the Conqueror, the visit of Sir Walter Raleigh—the whole series winding up with an allegorical tableau in which two female figures appeared, one being symbolic of the old Sherborne and the other of the American colony in Massachusetts.

Schoolmaster's Drama.

There were sixty speaking parts in the notable performance, the play of which these players were the exponents having been written by Louis N. Parker, a schoolmaster at Sherborne. The costumes were all made by the people of the village, and were wonderfully accurate. In many cases they were the duplication of originals, which are among the most treasured possessions of the town, and in every case an attention to detail was paid that is seldom seen even in a metropolitan theater. The audience was seated about the ramparts of the castle, numbered many thousands, and came from all parts of the empire.

Many of the figures, especially those of William the Conqueror, Alfred the Great, the Old Bishop, and Sir Walter Raleigh were admirable. While the groupings the spectacular was so well managed that it was almost impossible to believe that a plain schoolmaster had acted as stage manager and that untrained villagers were the actors.

WIVES NOW A LUXURY
AMONG ZULU CHIEFS

Hard Times Induce South African
Tribesmen to Abandon Polygamy.
Buying Cattle Instead.

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LONDON, June 24.—The hard times in South Africa have had one remarkable effect, according to the natives' affairs commission, which has reached here. It is the killing out of polygamy among the Zulus. It was no uncommon thing in the old days for a chief to have two or three hundred wives. Now the richest and most powerful of the Zulu chieftains are content with from twenty to fifty, while the ordinary natives are rapidly approaching a state of monogamy. In one district, there are 5,232 monogamists, and only 7,019 polygamists, and the number of polygamists is constantly decreasing. One of the native chiefs, who has very largely reduced the number of his wives, by sale and otherwise, gave as a reason that he had to devote so much of his time to making a living that he could not look after many wives. They ate up all he could make. The missionaries have done much to bring about this state of affairs, but the rhinderpest, which has played havoc with the Zulu heirs during the recent days has had more to do with it. Money that formerly went to the purchase of wives, is now devoted to buying cows.

EMINENT THEOLOGIAN,
DR. WOODBRIDGE, DEAD

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., June 24.—Dr. Samuel Merrill Woodbridge, for forty-seven years professor of church history and government in the New Brunswick Theological Seminary, Dutch Reformed Church, died this morning aged eighty-seven.

He was born in Greenfield, Mass., in 1818. In 1857 he took the professorship in the New Brunswick Seminary. He was also for some years professor of metaphysics in Rutgers. In 1901 he was made professor of church history and government in the New Brunswick Seminary. He was the author of many books and pamphlets on church and theological subjects, also several manuals and text books.

He is survived by his widow and three daughters. The funeral will take place Tuesday next.

\$7.95 Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and Return, Baltimore & Ohio R. R. July 27 and 28. Returning until Sept. Account Intercollegiate Rowing Regatta.

REMARKABLE HISTORIC TABLEAUX CELEBRATE 1200TH ANNIVERSARY OF SHERBORNE



Third Episode, the Coming of Alfred, 860 A. D. The Main Group of Three to the Right of the Picture Shows Queen Osburga Presenting the Kneeling Child Arthur to Bishop Eadhelm. Back of the Queen Stand the Ladies of Her Court; to the Left Are Grouped the Acolytes and Maidens of the Church.

KING MAY MAKE POPE
THE RULER OF ROME

Pius X Anxious to Break Up Monotony of Prison Life in
Vatican—Alfonso XIII in Danger of Assassination
When Twenty-five Years Old.

PARIS, June 24.—Something abnormal is certainly taking place in Rome just now. Pius X, who has no liking for the prison life which his predecessors have seen fit to dictate as proper for a Pope, has made up his mind at any cost to get out of the Vatican. It is said that he has communicated his intention to the King of Italy, who has received it with every mark of approval.

An intermediary had to be chosen to successfully bring about the relation of the Pope's plan. Emperor William II, who is only too pleased to play the leading role whenever he gets a chance, has offered his services as go-between the sovereign and the Pope.

I understand from an authoritative source that pourparlers have been entered upon. The plan would be for the King of Italy to maintain the executive sovereignty over Rome, but for the Pope to be declared ruler.

Thanks to this little combination his holiness can take a holiday by the sea if he wishes to, and nobody can object. Just exactly the effect of such a step on the prestige of the papacy it would be difficult at present to state.

Waiting to Kill King.

The life of a king is not all rose colored. Alfonso XIII has learned since he has been in Paris. The criminal Spaniard who has just made an attempt upon the King's life did not proceed after the manner most popular with his compatriots.

While I was in Spain recently I was interested in finding out from the people exactly their attitude with regard to their sovereigns, and to the young King in particular. In all classes of society, whatever part of the country I found myself in, the answers all had the same sinister trend:

"We are waiting till he is twenty-five to kill him."

We must infer from this that Spaniards prefer children to grown people, and can only hope for the safety and happiness of the youthful monarch, that he may remain a child as long as possible.

Marquis de Massa's Comedy.

It cannot be denied that the men of the second empire possessed an inexhaustible fund of gaiety, and that today the most enthusiastic merry-makers of society are the survivors of that period. Only a few days ago a large gathering of wealth and aristocratic society met at the Epatant Club to listen to a side-splitting farce due to the pen of the Marquis de Massa, former equerry to the Emperor Napoleon III.

The idea of the Marquis' play was most original. Purposely confounding the past century with the present, he caused the celebrities of former days to meet those of our own times upon the Champs Elysees, right in the midst of the open-air music halls and other attractions which are to be found there at this season. King Louis XIV and Monsieur Loubet, Mme. Du Barry, and Princess Louise of Saxony, Voltaire and Paul Bourget, Deroulede and Bonaparte, Richelieu and Sarah Bernhardt, are all seen chatting familiarly together.

In a series of clever verses they praise their own acts, and the public, delighted with their wit, applaud vociferously. The Marquis de Massa's energy and spirit are unflagging. Notwithstanding his seventy-two years, he lightly carries upon his broad shoulders the weight of a generation which had both the will and the intelligence to enjoy life.

A Unique Charity.

A rich and beautiful young woman, whose name is Mademoiselle de Marner, has suddenly acquired fame by a deed of "interested charity" unlike any which has ever been seen in Paris before. Mademoiselle de Marner comes from the Jura, where the peasant's only means of support is derived from the manufacture of lace.

All of a sudden there has occurred a fall in the price of lace. A syndicate of Parisian dressmakers decides to declare war upon the lacemakers and re-

duce them by famine to accept, in-
finitely low prices for the product
of their labor.

Mademoiselle de Marner sees the danger which threatens her compatriots. She has an income of 30,000 francs. It is not enormous, but it will do. She heads a strike movement among the lacemakers. She teaches them to resist the tyranny of the lace merchants, and, meanwhile, buys up from them in advance for two years all the lace they can make, paying them double the price they have been used to getting from the Parisian buyers.

At last in the lace market swing around a corner in lace is created, and Mlle. de Marner controls the output. The Parisian dressmakers see themselves forced, just as the season proclaims the triumph of lace in the fashions, to purchase their goods at the prices dictated by this young heroine, or go without. Mlle. de Marner has sacrificed her entire fortune in the execution of her generous impulse, but she has saved a whole district from ruin and preserved for France one of her most precious industries.

Right or wrong, she has distributed 500,000 francs in aid to the lacemakers of the Jura, and all Paris looks on and wonders at the courage shown by this young girl.

Montesquieu to Wed.

The engagement is announced of the Marquis de Montesquieu, directly descended from the celebrated d'Artagnan, with Countess Therese Murat, nee Bianchi. One of the young people is the bearer of one of the most illustrious names in the peerage of France.

Upon the death of the due de Fez-
cassat, the marquis will succeed to the title. The bride-to-be inherits a large fortune from her father, who for many years was one of the most notable stockholders of Paris. Both are fair, handsome and popular.

What more could they ask to be happy? All Paris has welcomed the news of their engagement with a large, friendly good will. When one contributes charm, wealth and an aristocratic name to the fashionable society of the French capital, one is sure of a welcome, whoever one may be.

MARQUISE DE CASTELLANE.
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EMBASSY EMBARRASSED
BY PET DOG QUESTION

British Board of Agriculture Places
Strong Quarantine Upon All
Imported Canines.

LONDON, June 24.—The United States embassy in London, fresh from problems of the Behring sea and of the Alaska boundary, has recently been harassed by the prayers and entreaties of lovely women who own pet dogs.

The British board of agriculture, in its determination to stamp out rabies, has imposed a long quarantine upon all dogs entering Britain. The Duchess of Marlborough and several other American ladies have reached the English shores lately with their dogs, but have had to tearfully part with them for a long quarantine vigil of thirty days.

They have been quarantined at various places in London in some cases, and the fashionable thing in the present London season is for bevy of beauties to make passionate pilgrimages to their quarantined pets.

The Duchess of Marlborough, among others, has just implored the embassy to use its influence to get the pet dogs restored to their fond mistresses.

"I'm a citizen of Baltimore," said a beautiful opera singer to one of the embassy secretaries the other day, "can't you work this quarantine business for me?"

"No," even if you were President of the United States," he said, "your dog would have to go through it."

MOTHER OF ALPHONSO



QUEEN MARIA CHRISTIANA,

To whose wise administration the
young King owes his throne. Although
the Queen, who, before her marriage,
was an Austrian archduchess, was hated
by the people of Spain, she has now
succeeded in winning their hearts.

ROSTAND'S NEW PLAY
EXCITES MUCH INTEREST

Rehearsals Now in Progress and Paris-
ians Can Hardly Wait for Its
Production.

PARIS, June 24.—The main event of the coming dramatic season will be the production of Edmond Rostand's new five-act drama, which the famous playwright has written for M. Coquelin.

The play was finished a few weeks ago, and M. Coquelin, with his son Jean and M. Hertz, went to Cambly, where M. Rostand resides, and brought back the manuscript. Rehearsals are now in full swing.

M. Rostand, it is said, has now fully recovered from the nervous prostration which threatened to cut short his brilliant literary career, and may return to Paris this winter.

At any rate, he will be present at the first performance of his new play. Also the opera is busy with rehearsals on Mascagni's new opera, "Vestala," which is to be produced in the early part of the fall, and which is said to surpass any of the composer's former works.

FATHER SHOTS MAN
HIS DAUGHTER ACCUSES

RALEIGH, N. C., June 24.—John Dockery, a son of United States Marshal Henry C. Dockery, prominent in society and political circles in North Carolina, was shot here today in the Tucker Building by Police Officer Isaac W. Rogers. Rogers accused Dockery of robbing his daughter.

Two shots took effect in Dockery's body, one in the arm and one in the side. The wounds may not be fatal. Dockery was taken to the hospital and Rogers to jail.

SENTENCED TO DEATH
FOR HUSBAND'S MURDER

LIBERTY, Mo., June 24.—The sentence of death was pronounced upon Mrs. Aggie Myers, of Kansas City, today by Judge Alexander after he had overruled a motion for a new trial.

Mrs. Myers was convicted of murdering her husband. August 11 is the date set for the execution. Mrs. Myers betrayed absolutely no emotion.

Her counsel immediately gave notice of an appeal to the supreme court.

MRS. ASTOR JUDGED
'SMARTEST' IN LONDON

LONDON, June 24.—At a young people's dinner party, given the other night, the hostess started a "new game" after dinner, which, by the way, she had taken from a weekly paper. She asked the men and girls to write down on slips of paper the name of the woman who was in their estimation the smartest woman in London.

The word "smart" was meant to include not only good looks, but "carriage" and good dressing. The name of Mrs. John Jacob Astor came out on top with a big majority. Mrs. George Keppel was second and Mrs. Sam Newhouse third.

Mrs. Astor is, undoubtedly, the success of this season. She is also the envy of all women, who declare that she wears

her clothes better than anyone in town. These clothes are usually black for evening parties, but she has never yet been seen wearing the same black frock more than once.

Her jewels are not over-elaborate, her hair is always beautifully dressed, without being stiff, and her manner is as gay and attractive as possible. Her New York friends say that "Mrs. Jack" in London is a very different woman from "Mrs. Jack" in New York.

In the latter place she appears to have a reputation for coldness. Her friend, Mrs. Langhorne Shaw, with whom she is sharing her house in Portland place, is also very popular, and is especially liked by the Duchess of Roxburghe and Conquello, the Duchess of Manchester.

AMERICANS FLOCK
TO CITY OF PARIS

Indication of Prosperity in
This Country.

LAVISH WITH THEIR MONEY

Well-to-Do People Crowd Hotels and
Seem Bent on a Good
Time.

PARIS, June 24.—Judging from the number of Americans visiting this city this summer, times in America must be exceedingly prosperous.

Never before, not even in the year of the exposition, has Paris been so crowded with Americans, and their number is increased with hundreds more every day.

It is not the American millionaires who usually pay an annual visit to the metropolis of the world who are conspicuous; it is a crowd of well-to-do American tourists who are crowding every hotel near Gare St. Lazare and Place de l'Opera.

Passing through the streets of Montmartre and Quartier Latin in the evening, English is heard everywhere, and in the quaint cafes and restaurants with which the streets of these parts of Paris abound, Americans are in full possession, each spending more money in an evening than would a native Parisian in six months.

That the proprietors of these places are enthusiastic and do their utmost to make their American guests feel at home, goes without saying.

M. Carous Duran, the famous painter, who has painted so many members of American society, has left for Rome, where he is to paint the portrait of Pope Pius X.

The Pope, who hates all publicity, has reluctantly consented to sit for this portrait, which is to be hung in the Vatican in six months.

FUNDS FOR MONUMENT
TO AFRICAN EXPLORER

BERLIN, June 24.—A movement has been started by officers who have served in German Africa to collect a fund for the erection of a monument in memory of the late African explorer, Herman von Wissmann, whose tragic death is greatly deplored. The monument will be erected at Lauterberg in the Harz mountains.



For Both Purse and Feet

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Over 25 up-to-date styles of Tan Calf Low and High Shoes, dark or light shades—extremely stylish, as well as conservative shapes.....

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This season's sweetest styles of Pumps, Sallors, and Gibson Ties, or Low Button, of Tan, Suede, or Calf—brown and champagne color kid, at.....

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Girls' best hand-made Tan Button Boots and Blucher Oxfords, sizes 1 1/2 to 5. Boys' Tan Russia Calf Blucher Laced and Oxford Ties, sizes 1 to 5 1/2. This week.....

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\$2.00 kinds at.....\$1.50
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